

Committee Notes – Joint Meeting
Security Committee- Hollywood Entertainment District, Sunset and Vine BID
December 9, 2010

Attendance: HED Committee Members Present: John Tronson, Chairperson; Dan Chismire, Carol Massie, and Mark Supper. Not Present: Jim McPartlin, Thaddeus Smith. SVBID Committee Members Present: Fred Rosenthal, Chairperson; Fabio Conti, Richard Falzone, and Patrick Olmstead. Not Present: Roxanna Sassanian. Liaisons: Bill Farrar, Mike Harkins, Steve Seyler, Andrews International; Sgt. Chuck Becerra, Deputy Rivas, and Deputy Thompson LASD; Staff: Kerry Morrison, Joe Mariani Jr., Hollywood Property Owners Alliance. Guests: Phil Royle, Madame Tussauds; Elizabeth McDonald, LA Film School; Phil Erenberg, Tom Jones, The Hollywood Building; Howard Ferguson, Hollywood Frontier; Richard Chavez, Space15 Twenty;

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairs Fred Rosenthal and John Tronson at 10:10 a.m.
- II. Public Comment: Phil Erenberg notified the committee of some issues he has been having around his property at Cahuenga and Hollywood Boulevard.
- III. Meeting Notes: The committee approved the meeting notes from their October 14, 2010 meeting.
- IV. Reports

A. Report from Andrews International: BID Security has continued its patrol in the two BIDs and has made a combined total of 1,088 arrests for 2010. Seyler noted that during the last reporting period, Andrews' officers had made several notable arrests in the two areas. Additionally, Seyler participated in the United Way's Homewalk, and BID officers conducted a safety training for students of the Los Angeles Film School. The training educated students on how to keep their laptops safe when in public settings.

B. Report from LAPD: Not in attendance. Morrison reported that during the last HPOA Board meeting, Captain Girmala spoke to the board about a slight increase in crime, which has been occurring during the nighttime hours. Additionally, LAFD and LAPD hosted a meeting for club owners in the area to educate them on how to ensure their clubs are not exceeding capacity during events.

C. Report from LA Sheriff's Department: Sgt. Chuck Becerra gave an update on Sheriff's activities, specifically around the Hollywood and Vine Metro Station. Sgt. Becerra reported that the department had all its manpower out on Halloween and for the Christmas parade. The sergeant also mentioned that there is a new Captain who will be taking over the Metro division, and will be moving more forces from the Red line trains to the Blue line. Morrison reported that with the potential departure of a larger Sheriff's presence at Hollywood and Vine, she has been working with stakeholder's in the area to activate the plaza on a regular

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basis. She is still waiting to hear back from a few of these stakeholders to confirm that a plan can be initiated.

D. Report from LA City Attorney's Office: Not in attendance.

V. Old Business

A. Update on Activities Related to Community Impact Team/Sidewalk Nuisance Abatement: Morrison reported that the characters did have an injunction recently granted in the circuit court. Phil Royle and Dan Chismire mentioned that since the injunction the characters have been back out on the boulevard, along with some new individuals. The Hollywood Chamber of Commerce is exploring the option of hiring Jeff Briggs to write a brief of the situation to the court. Committee members were asked that those who feel strongly about the issue, please write a letter to the Council office to say so.

B. Homeless Services Update: Joe Mariani reported on a meeting which took place on November 24 at the BID Security office. The meeting featured representatives from the Greyhound Station on Cahuenga, Andrews International, LAPD, PATH, and the HPOA. The purpose of the meeting was to try and develop a strategy that would keep individuals from sleeping on the Greyhound's private property during the night. Mariani said the group will be meeting again in January to discuss the issue and see what progress has been made.

VI. New Business

A. ArcLight/CRA Parking Structure: Morrison said that the staff, and LAPD, will be meeting with representatives from the CRA parking structure to see what steps can be taken to improve safety in the structure, particularly during night time hours.

B. Security Service Review: Morrison asked Seyler to look at security logs to prepare a list of locations where Andrews has been responding to most frequently in the two BIDs.

C. Farmer's Market Situation: Patrick Olmstead briefed the committee on the issue related to the Film School and the Hollywood Farmer's Market. Despite, negative press, Olmstead said that the school has never wanted to close the Farmer's Market, but is only asking that they move stalls which are currently blocking the entrance to one of the school's parking structures. The school is currently refusing to sign the market's request for a permit to close the section of Ivar Avenue near their parking structure. The school is currently working with the City and SEE-LA (Farmer's Market) to try to find a solution to the problem. Morrison said she is planning to put the issue on the agenda of both boards.

VII. Next Meeting: The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, January 13, 2011 at 10 a.m. in Suite 200 of the Taft Building (1680 Vine St., Los Angeles, CA. 90028).

VIII. Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by Committee Chairs Fred Rosenthal and John Tronson at 11:08 a.m.